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ALLIES PUSH FORWARD ALL ALONG LINE IN WESTERN WAR ZONE

French Official Statement Today Claims One Assault Gains Entire Mile of the Kaiser's Trenches.

SITUATION IN EAST REMAINS A MYSTERY

Long Statement from Petrograd Largely Devoted to Showing Why Good Strategy Prompted Russian Retreat.

London, Dec. 22 (12:25 p. m.)—It is only at the northern and southern extremes of the line of battle in the eastern arena of the war that any marked change is to be noted today; in the western theater siege warfare or a most stubborn and laborious kind persists. This briefly sums up the situation both in the east and in the west today, so far as has been disclosed by the official statement.

The ultimate outcome of the German advance upon Warsaw is still problematical, as a decisive conflict has yet to be fought. Although the Russian center has retired, it has now been reinforced and is holding the line on the Bzura from its junction with the Vistula.

North of the Vistula, if the reports from Petrograd may be believed, the Germans have been whopped and pushed back over the frontier until their line now stretches behind Soldau, which is midway between Lautenburg and Niedenburg, in East Prussia. To the south it is contended in Russian reports that the movement of the Austrians through the Carpathian mountains has been defeated simultaneously with the defeat of the garrison at Przemysl, which was hurried back after an attempted sortie from this fortress.

BULGARIA AND ROMANIA SETTLE THEIR DIFFERENCES

Petrograd, via London, Dec. 22 (12:25 p. m.)—The Bulgarian minister announced today that an agreement had been reached between Bulgaria and Romania under which Romania will restore to Bulgaria the province of Dobruja and most of the other territory which she acquired from Bulgaria as a result of the second Balkan war.

"This agreement has been reached without pressure from either Germany or the allies," said an official connected with the Bulgarian ministry.

We shall continue to be neutral and Romania, although she has no cause to fear us, also will remain neutral."

It has been asserted here that the fear of Bulgaria alone had prevented Romania from invading Austria and entering the war on the side of the allies.

"If Greece would return Kavala and the Macedonian territory she annexed during the second Balkan war, and Serbia would restore to us the Macedonian provinces she occupied, despite her agreement of 1912, the Balkan union could be reconstructed," said the Bulgarian official. "Under those circumstances a lasting peace would be established in the Balkans. But unfortunately neither Greece nor Serbia has shown an intention to revoke the treaty of Bucharest."

The heir to the Serbian throne, Prince Alexander, on receiving Prince Troubetzkoy when the prince delivered his credentials from Emperor Nicholas, at Nish yesterday, said:

"Serbia guides her own national interests, meaning that Serbia was not ready to return the Macedonian provinces."

A reconstructed Balkan union would favor neither the allies nor Germany, nor would it have any aggressive intentions. Romania's Transylvanian aspirations, Greece's claims to Turkish islands, Serbia's differences with Austria, bring about such a conflict of interests that it would be impossible to throw the union as a whole one way or the other. Our relations with Turkey will remain

TODAY'S WAR SUMMARY.

The battle in France and Belgium has become more violent, both the Germans and the allies making furious attacks. Although it was said in an official French account of recent fighting that the Germans were now on the defensive everywhere, to-day's French war office statement told of German attacks at four points. The German statement in turn describes several attacks by the allies.

So far as can be learned from these statements, there have been no marked changes in positions, although the French assert that in one instance they captured nearly a mile of entrenched German positions. References to trenches taken and retaken, to violent bayonet engagements and to heavy losses inflicted show the desperate nature of the struggle.

Concerning the situation in Poland there was little information. The German war office said that fierce fighting was in progress there and that at some points German troops had crossed the

"FRANCE THE EMANCIPATOR" FIGHTING FOR THE WELFARE OF MANKIND, SAYS VIVIANI

Paris, Dec. 22.—Premier Viviani, stating the views of the government concerning the war to determine the fate of the world," the premier continued.

"Nothing greater has ever appeared before the vision of man."

"Against barbarity and despotism, against the system of provocations and methodical meanness which Germany called peace; against the system of murder and pillage which Germany called war; against the insatiable hegemony of a military caste which loosed the scourge, France the emancipator, France the vengeful, at the side of her allies, arose and advanced to the fray."

"That is the stake. It is greater than our lives. Let us continue then to have our united soul and tomorrow in peace or victory we shall recall with pride these days of travail, for they will have made of us more valiant and better men."

"If this contest is the most gigantic ever recorded in history, it is not because the people are hurling themselves into warfare to conquer territory, to win enlargement of material life and

freedom. We do not desire Adriano-

ape."

GERMAN OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Berlin (by wireless to London Dec. 22, 12:55 p. m.)—The German official report gives out this afternoon reads as follows:

"At Neuport and in the region around Ypres the situation yesterday

was generally quiet.

"In order to recapture the positions lost by them December 20 at St. Hubert and Givenchy, the English forces, reinforced by French territorials, made desperate attacks during the day of yesterday and last night, all of which, however, were repulsed. In the region around Richebourg the enemy succeeded in obtaining a firm foothold in the old

position of the Austrians.

"Between the Argonne and the Meuse there has been slight progress. In the suburbs of Vaucouleurs to the north of the forest of Malancourt, our troops were successful in making their way through a barbed wire entanglement and in taking possession of certain trenches of the enemy, where they maintained themselves.

"On the right bank of the Meuse in the forest of Conde-sur-Orne, we first lost and then recovered after a lively fight, the territory named by us Decemb-

ber 20.

"The Hill agreement to stay at Nauroy, and not follow Mauroy, when he withdraws, has not received official confirmation, but the plan is to be the feature of a conference today between Hill and Brigadier General Hugh J. Scott, chief of staff of the United States army, who came here for the purpose of inducing the Mexican commanders to move their combat away from the United States border.

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Near Aris, Dec. 22.—If Governor

Mauroy abandons the siege of Nauroy, as he is reported to have agreed, General Benjamin Hill, the commander of the Carranza Garrison in the besieged town, will follow him, according to information from his camp today. The regulars' desultory fighting just over the international boundary which has wrought much damage on the American side will end and the crisis, so far as it affects the regulars' American army detachments stationed here, will be past.

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Zapata Says Troops Tired.

Washington, Dec. 22.—General

Zapata's report on the battle of Puebla was received here today by Enrique C. Llorente, the Quartermaster.

In the attack and capture of Puebla more than 20,000 of my troops were engaged against a large force of Carranza troops," he said.

The remains of the enemy force,

taking advantage of night and the tired condition of my men, retreated in the direction of Orizaba.

A column ten thousand strong, pushed them."

The Mexico City chamber of commerce, according to another dispatch, is co-operating with Villareal, minister of finance, to unify the note issues. New bills will be engraved and printed in the United States.

Heavy fighting is reported near

Torreón, but dispatches to the Carranza agency give no indication of a result.

The state department issued this statement:

"A dispatch just received from San

Luis Potosí states that the governor

of San Luis Potosí has announced

that an armistice has been reached

with the military authorities of Saltillo and Monterrey by which those capitals will remain neutral and suspend all movements of troops, also all passenger trains from the city of Laredo. It is reported that this action would appear to indicate that

there is not much disposition to carry

on hostilities in the territory in question and that there is not much bitter feeling."

Former Senator West Dead.

Vicksburg, Ga., Dec. 22.—Former

United States Senator William S.

West was found dead in bed at his

home here early today. He had re-

turned apparently in good health.

Physicians stated death apparently

was due to apoplexy.

CARRANZA IN FLIGHT FROM VERA CRUZ HAS CLOSE SHAVE

Wild Locomotive Sent Crashing Into Special Train Bearing First Chief to Isthmus of Tehuantepec.

HEAVY FIGHTING STILL ON AROUND TORREON

General Scott in Conference This Afternoon With Maytorena and Hill. Border Situation May Be Relieved.

Washington, Dec. 22.—General Carranza and his party, en route from Vera Cruz to the Isthmus of Tehuantepec, narrowly escaped death when a wild locomotive was sent crashing into his train by hostile troops, according to private advices received here late today.

The advices further state that Carranza's trip to the Isthmus was checked by opposition troops which captured Soledad. Carranza probably will go to Merida, in southern Mexico.

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The old hotel Metropol at

Alexandria and other hotels have

been hired for the refugees by

several wealthy Jews of all na-

tionalities.

Many of the refugees are nearly mad with apprehension for the fate of thousands

of relatives and friends for whom

there was no heard aboard the

Florio. It is feared that this

is only the beginning of Turkish

atrocities. There are 25,000 or

more peaceful Russian Jews in

Palestine.

The passage of the rule was

concerned by those who oppose

the Hobson resolution many of

whom voted for the rule to get

the resolution out to a vote. Passage

of the resolution requires a

two-thirds vote in the house to

day and two-thirds vote later

in the senate, before it is submitted

to the states.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Under

a special rule, which was adop-

ted without a roll call, the house

began just after noon today an

eight-hour debate on the Hobson

resolution to submit to the

states a constitutional amend-

ment for national prohibition.

An aye and no vote will be

reached tonight.

A rolling chorus of "ayes"

greeted the question and the

house then plunged into one of